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TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP)
PROGRAM PROVIDERS AND MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE PLANS

SUBJECT: ADDITION OF ROTAVIRUS (RV) VACCINE AS A CHDP BENEFIT,
REPORTING CODES, REIMBURSEMENT FOR VACCINE
ADMINISTRATION, AND UPDATED CHDP VACCINE BENEFIT AND
REIMBURSEMENT TABLE

The purpose of this Provider Information Notice (PIN) is to inform you that Rotavirus (RV) vaccine, RotaTeq™ (Merck), has been added as a CHDP program benefit.

This Information Notice provides the new CHDP administration code and billing and reimbursement information. An updated CHDP vaccine benefit and reimbursement table is enclosed which includes the addition of this new vaccine. A Vaccines for Children (VFC) Provider Letter is enclosed that contains important information on the vaccine.

RV vaccine is a live, oral, pentavalent, bovine-human reassortant vaccine. RV vaccine is indicated for infants' age 6 weeks through 32 weeks. The recommended schedule for the three dose series is for administration orally at 2, 4, and 6 months of age. The first dose should be given between 6 and 12 weeks of age. The last dose should be administered by 32 weeks of age. There should be a 4 to 10-week interval between doses. Pre-term infants should receive the vaccine according to their age in weeks since birth. RV vaccine should be administered as soon as possible after removal from refrigeration.

Re-administration of any RV vaccine dose to an infant who regurgitates, spits out, or vomits during or after administration of vaccine is not recommended. The infant should receive the remaining doses of RV vaccine at appropriate intervals. In addition, the vaccine may be given at the same visit as all other routine vaccines during infancy.

RV Vaccine as a CHDP Program Benefit

Effective June 1, 2006, CHDP will reimburse providers for the administration fee of RV vaccine to CHDP eligible children; the vaccine will be provided at no charge by the VFC Program for these children. The CHDP vaccine code is 75 and has the reimbursement rate of \$9.00 for the administration fee. Rotavirus vaccine is not available for purchase.

Rotavirus (RV) Vaccine	75	VFC	6 weeks thru 32 weeks	\$9.00
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Code 75 is payable for three doses with a 4 to 10-week interval between doses. RV vaccine has been added to the Vaccine Codes and Rates Table found in the rates max CHDP section of the CHDP Provider Manual.

Reminder

All CHDP program providers actively involved with immunized children must participate in the VFC Program, which provides vaccines at no cost to the provider for eligible children up to eighteen years eleven months. The CHDP Program reimburses only the immunization administration fee for VFC covered vaccines.

Billing Instructions for RV Vaccine

Please use the following instructions for billing for RV vaccine. Refer to the CHDP Provider Manual for additional information.

- Enter the CHDP Code number, 75, and Rotavirus on a blank line, under the immunization section of the PM 160 Confidential Screening/Billing Report.
- Enter a check mark in only one of the Immunization Outcome Columns (A or B) of the PM 160, as appropriate.
- Enter the administration fee in the Fees Column (Note: fees do not apply on the "Information Only" PM 160).
- If you administered RV vaccine on or after June 1, 2006, and prior to this notice, you are entitled to reimbursement for the administration of this vaccine. Please submit a PM 160 for the \$9.00 administration fee if you have not been previously reimbursed for the vaccine by any source.

CHDP Vaccine Benefits and Reimbursement Table

An updated CHDP Vaccine Benefit and Reimbursement Table is enclosed; it is dated July 1, 2006. The table includes the RV code and reimbursement rate.

Your continuing participation in the CHDP Program is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about CHDP vaccine benefits or other CHDP issues, please contact your local CHDP program office.

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Enclosures